

What Is Claimed Is:

1. An information processing apparatus having an image pickup apparatus incorporated therein, said image pickup apparatus comprising:

image pickup means for picking up an image of an object;

holding means for holding thereon a lens for forming an image on said image pickup means, said holding means having a serrated circumferential portion thereon;

moving means for fitting with said serrated circumferential portion of said holding means to move, when said moving means is turned, said holding means along a direction of an optical axis of said lens; and

accommodation means for accommodating said holding means and said moving means therein.

2. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said accommodation means is supported on said information processing apparatus for turning movement to any position within a range of 180 degrees from a direction same as the direction of a display unit of said information processing apparatus to the opposite direction to the display unit.

3. An information processing apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said moving means is exposed from

said accommodation means in such a manner as to be manually operable from above and from below of said accommodation means.

4. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said image pickup means includes a CCD.

5. An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said image pickup apparatus is positioned on said information processing apparatus above the display unit of said information processing apparatus.

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